**Selection Procedures**

1. **Selection Criteria**

**Library media materials will be selected from well respected, authoritative sources such as professional review journals, award lists, and bibliographic references.**

**In the selection of library media materials, the following will be taking into account:**

1. **The material’s authenticity**
2. **The age/grade appropriateness**
3. **Currency (i.e. copyright date)**
4. **Connections to curriculum standards**
5. **Cost in relation to anticipated use**
6. **Presence of different view points**
7. **Clarity of material**
8. **Variety of format (i.e. books, Playaways, etc.)**
9. **Difficulty level**
10. **Range of subject matter**

**A material must have at least (1) favorable review or listing in the sources provided in Part II to be considered approved for selection.**

1. **List of Approved Bibliographic Sources**

**AAAS Science Books and Films**

**Alan Review**

**American Association of School Librarians**

**American Biology Teacher**

**American Library Association**

**Best Books for Children**

**Book Links**

**Booklist**

**Book Report-Linworth Publishing**

**Bulletin for the Center for Children’s Books**

**Childhood Education**

**Children’s Catalog with Supplements**

**Choice**

**Criticas**

**Elementary School Library Collection**

**French Review**

**German Quarterly**

**Hispania**

**Horn Book Magazine**

**Instructor**

**Journal of Aesthetic Education**

**Journal of Geography**

**Junior High School Library Catalog with Supplements**

**Kirkus Reviews**

**KLIATT**

**Library Journal**

**Library Media Center**

**Library Talk**

**Literature for Today’s Young Adults**

**Media and Methods**

**Middle & Junior High School Library Catalog**

**Modern Language Journal**

**Newbery and Caldecott Medal Books**

**New York Times Book Review Section**

**Physics Teacher**

**Publishers Weekly**

**Reading Teacher**

**School Library Journal**

**School Library Media Monthly**

**Science Books and Films**

**Scientific American**

**Senior High School Library Catalog with Supplements**

**Teaching Exceptional Children**

**Voice of Youth Advocates**

1. **Consideration File**

**Students, faculty, administrators and community members may suggest titles for the school library. The individual librarian is tasked with devising a system for tracking requested library materials, whether paper or electronic. Vendors such as Follett, Mackin and Brodart have web-based programs that will allow librarians to track requested titles.**

**All requests are subject to the same criteria stipulated in parts I and II of this document.**

**This selection policy is based on Frederick County Public School’s Regulation 500-38: “Guidelines for the Selection and Approval of Instructional Materials,” and portions of Montgomery County Public School’s Regulation IIB-RA: “Evaluation and Selection of Instructional Material and Library Books.” Part II is taken directly from the “Representative List of Bibliographic Sources and Review Journals” listed in FCPS Regulation 500-38, Section D.**